

News and Citizen

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HUGHES AND FAIRBANKS.

Col. George Harvey, who is some on Presidential predictions—having in 1912 guessed wrong as to only one state; in 1908 he was only 17 electoral votes out of the way and in 1904 only 22—says that Hughes will have 269 votes sure, Wilson 140; favorable for Hughes 35, doubtful 50. He believes the probable majority for Hughes to be between 145 and 175. Let's hope the Colonel is right.

MEXICO'S SUPREME NEEDS AND OUR SUPREME DUTY

The following from the San Antonio (Texas) Express, a leading Democratic paper, clearly sets forth the situation as regards the Mexican troubles:

The time has come for action by this country in the relief of Mexico. A "dead-lock" is reported in the Mexican-American joint commission. From the viewpoint of the American members, the republic would soon know the blessings of rehabilitation if Mexico would bind herself to the distribution of land among the peasants, the establishment of a currency and banking system backed by a sinking fund set aside from the country's unmortgaged revenues, and guarantee fulfillment of the provisional government's already promised social, political and financial reforms.

Evidently Mexico is not yet ready, and while the conferees are debating at Atlantic City the situation in Mexico is rapidly assuming a phase more desperate than was the border trouble at any prior time of the problem.

There have been six years of revolution, of battles, pillage, death and ruin in the republic below the Rio Grande. Famine, no stranger to the unhappy land, is growing larger, more menacing; the appalling chronicle of disease and starvation in Cuba under Weyler's reign is being retold; its scarcely believable chapters are being re-enacted with a four-fold horror. It is a desperate situation, calling for immediate relief, with no half-way measures.

The Express has stood for a constitutional government for Mexico, for the protection of that country and its nationals, by the United States in the relationship of a Big Brother, whose patience and forbearance and helping hand would soon bring order out of chaos. But is it the part of wisdom for a Big Brother to stand idly and speculatively by while the Little Brother starves and burns with fever?

The Express now appeals to the people of the United States, to the National Administration, to the members of the conference, to promptly set about the task of succor—and defense.

In the name of humanity let us agree on immediate steps for the relief of the Mexican people from disease and starvation; let us devise means to protect the United States from the advancing danger that, all reports agree will soon be spreading across the border disease and disaster, more cruel than revolution, more terrible than any calamity our vast border country has ever known.

Every day brings advices of roaming soldiery and bandits, not searching out each other for battle, but seeking treasure, money, food, sustenance to prolong their pernicious activity. Sanitation is a word that has been forgotten; cleanliness in ruins of towns and cities is impossible and the march of disease and death goes on. The situation is made more appalling by the almost universal shortage of food and the deaths by thousands from starvation.

It is no longer a proposition of intervention being regarded as warlike; it is no longer a matter of quibbling niceties.

It is now a question of food and medicine—the saving of a stricken people from themselves and conditions that apparently the provisional government of Mexico cannot banish. Humanity sees it as a duty, this extension of the helping hand, backed by all the resources of this rich and contented and prosperity-over-flowing country.

It isn't politics—politics is a mean and unworthy thing in the face of Christian duty. Men in office, and what they interpose is selfish or mistaken objection should be cast aside—it is a nation, a people, a race that is in agony! Is a precedent needed? There are Cuba, Belgium! Humanity has divine rights and a people is invoking the name of Humanity!

And Humanity's call is greater than war; it is greater than stubborn pride, or in individual interest, or ambition.

It bids this big Nation of ours to protect the women and children, the widows, the orphans, the aged and the feeble—it bids us to sustain a people with the necessities of life to save life by food and medicine, so that the righteous cause of a nation struggling to independence and self-respect and lasting peace may be nurtured and made to come to pass.

MORRISVILLE

Mrs. Mary Lurie was the guest of friends in Hyde Park last Friday.

George Holman, Jr., has been a guest the past week of relatives in Colebrook, N. H.

T. C. Cheney has been improving his tenement house on Maple street by a coat of paint.

Miss Blanch Smith is enjoying a two weeks' vacation from her duties in the depot restaurant.

Rev. and Mrs. Charles B. Davis of Alburg were recent guests of friends and relatives in town.

Charles H. Herrick has purchased the Ed. Dyke place on Laporte road and has taken possession.

Miss Mattie Wood of Burlington has been a guest the past two weeks of her sister, Mrs. E. H. Vancor.

Mrs. Lucy Hawkins and daughter, Mrs. C. Leon Terill, have been guests the past week of friends in Calais.

O. L. Gates was in Burlington last Wednesday, where he attended a meeting of the Democratic State Committee.

Mrs. F. H. Cram returned last week from Boston, where she visited a couple of weeks with her sons, Glenn and Harold Cram.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Cheney have been in New York City the past week, guests of their son and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Guy A. Cheney.

Paul Burnham, who enlisted in Co. D, Bristol, Conn., and who has been stationed at Nagales, Ariz., arrived home last Wednesday morning.

Mrs. Grace McMath and daughter Miss Helen returned Tuesday of last week from a two weeks' visit at their former home, Peabody, Mass.

The many Morrisville friends of Heber Best, who entered the University of Vermont this fall, will be interested to know that he is playing in Sherman's band.

George Saxby has rented the lower tenement of Leland King's house on Olive street and will move there this week from a tenement over Munson's store.

Miss Caroline Stewart, who has passed the summer at the Balsams, Dixville Notch, N. H., has returned home and has been a guest of her sister, Mrs. Ned Phillips.

Mrs. Belle Handy of Melrose, Mass., who is spending some time at the Delano cottage in Elmore, spent Saturday and Sunday with F. W. Mould and family.

Mrs. Walter Stenson returned last week from a visit in Worcester, Boston and other points. She was accompanied home by her cousin, Mrs. Bray, of Worcester.

Percival Bates has been detained from his studies at Peoples Academy on account of a badly sprained ankle and an abscess caused by a bruise received when he sustained the injury to his ankle.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence E. Wescott, Herbert Wescott, and Mrs. Anselm Lincoln of Malone, N. Y., have been guests the past week of Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Standcliff. The Wescotts are brothers of Mrs. Standcliff.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Smalley have been in Boston the past week visiting their granddaughter, Miss Reba Skinner, who is a student at the New England Conservatory of Music, also visiting Mrs. Donald Page at Medford, Mass., and with friends in Lowell and Worcester, Mass.

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Mrs. E. P. Carney of Springfield, Mass., spent last Friday night with her friend, Miss Rhea Patno.

E. S. Johnson has been painting the new barn of W. S. Welsh on the Elmore road the past week.

Mrs. Annette Ainsworth, who makes her home with Mrs. Ella Salloway on Maple street, went to Calais last week for a visit with friends.

Everett Allen, who recently moved his family back to Morrisville from Elmore, now has employment at carpenter work for the new company at the mines in Lowell.

W. M. Chaffee, supt. of schools, with headquarters at Waterbury, was a guest at the home of his father, M. W. Chaffee, a few days last week, while attending a two days' session of a teacher's training school at Johnson.

Mrs. C. A. Sanders and her sister, Mrs. E. A. Spaulding were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hermon Marsh in Hardwick several days the past week. Mrs. Spaulding recently came here from Cleveland, O., to make her home with Mrs. Sanders.

Mr. and Mrs. Morton Davis of West Hill moved their household goods to Richmond last Saturday. Mrs. Davis is a daughter of Mrs. Henry Carroll, the family having purchased the Levi Gile farm several years ago. Mr. and Mrs. Davis were married only a few weeks ago.

Work has commenced upon quite extensive repairs upon the barn of the John Utton place on Maple street, occupied by L. R. Page. The stalls in the front part of the barn, formerly occupied by fast horses, will be torn out, the entrance will be widened and a place made for the auto truck and additional floor space provided.

W. C. T. U. Notes

The October meeting of the local W. C. T. U. was held Friday afternoon, Oct. 20, at the home of Mrs. Elmer Oamp on Maple street, in charge of the First Vice President, Mrs. Inez Cornell. Among other items of business, it was voted to endeavor to raise five cents per member for the State Organizing fund. A letter was read from the honorary president, Mrs. Mary T. Davis, showing her continued interest in the work. A program of instructive readings and music was provided by the treasurer and collector. Gleanings from the State Convention were given by Mrs. C. S. Wilder and were indeed appreciated by the hearers. Two new members were received. The hostess very kindly served the ladies to grapes at the close of the session.

Democratic Prosperity In 1914

Below is a sample of the sort of news that was appearing in the papers during the months when Mr. Wilson and his party were trying to produce prosperity without the assistance of munitions contracts. The date is January 1, 1914.

MARCHING IDLE ARMY CRIED FOR FOOD UPON STROKE OF NEW YEAR

Five Hundred Men Paraded the Streets of Chicago.

"You Are Drunk and We Are Hungry," They Shouted.

Broke Windows and Punctured Tires of Automobiles.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS DISPATCH.)

CHICAGO, January 1.—Entering restaurants and demanding food, breaking windows, and puncturing automobile tires, a crowd of nearly 500 unemployed men early this morning marched through Chicago's business district. They furnished a strange contrast to New Year revelers who were leaving the cafes and restaurants.

The men marched in State street, four abreast carrying a banner which read: "We demand work, not charity." The army halted street cars and tried to passersby that they wanted work. At Van Buren street the police halted the marchers, but they soon reformed their line farther down the street.

"Hey you bums, what's up?" shouted a pedestrian from the curb.

"You are drunk and we are hungry," replied one of the leaders. The band finally broke up into small groups.

FINNEGAN'S PHILOSOPHY

Pitiless Publicity

"I see Mr. Hughes would like to know what's come to 'Pitiless Publicity.' Meself could tell him. 'Where's 'Pitiless Publicity?'" says Hughes. "In the Ash Can," says I. "It was all right on the stump, but in Washin'ton 'tis different. The Harp that warst through Trenton's halls—I mane Tumulty. While he bursts into song now he picks his chum!"

"Tis not that Prisdint Wilson is less public than Candydote Wilson—he's less pitiless. 'Tis like the showman. He tells ye all, an' more, about th' flyant, but he has mital res-vashune about the spotted baby."

"So it is wld Wilson. He's sofned the hard heart iv 'Pitiless Publicity.' 'How about the Postmasters?' axes the re-fawrners. 'We'll never tell ye,' says the C'mishun. 'For why?' says the League. 'T'wid embarr's th' Administration,' says the C'mishun. And the people laughs. 'Ye fired th' Hild of the C'mishun,' says Hughes. 'Ye lie,' says Redfield. 'He raysined wld-out bein' axed,' says he. 'Ye lie yerself,' says Durand. 'Ye towld me ye'd dre me, an' ye gev me place to a politician,' says Durand. 'Ixc'ly f'what I said,' yells Pink Whiskers. 'I was goin' to fire ye annyway, but I niver axed ye to raysine,' says Pinky. An' the people roars."

"Tell us about all thim Dishurvin' Dimmycrats," says the people. An' Washin'ton is swep' be a storm iv silence.

"But don't ye think there's no publicity at all. Teddy himself was none gunshy with the papers, but he cud be quiet too."

"We'll grab some land in Vinzuco," says the Ambassydure, 'tem'pri-ly,' says he. 'Ye'll not,' says Teddy. 'Ye'll agree to arbitrate,' says he. 'Or,' he says, 'in thim days Dewey'll be there,' says Teddy."

"Me Ry'le Mather will niver consint," says th' other. 'Thin,' says Teddy, 'I'll send Dewey at wanst. There's no use waitin'.' Teddy says, 'Howld 'em,' says the Ambassydure. 'We agree,' says he, an' divil a bit did we know how it was for a dozen year."

"We'll have Ferdie Carey alive or the Bashl Bazook dead," says Teddy. An' back comes Ferdie. An' the papers says, 'On demand iv the State Department Ferdie Carey has been released.' An' that's all."

"How is it now? The greasers slaughters twinty at Santy Isabel. 'Another Mexican Crisis,' says the headlines. 'Twenty Americans killed,' they says. 'The President Calm,' says they. 'Aces Bacon and Eggs. Plays Golf,' says the headlines. An' the paper goes on."

"The Prisdint's appytite at breakfast was good, th' leader iv the nashun gettin' outside iv grape fruit, bacon an' eggs, hot biscuit an' coffee. While Docther Grayson announced the bill iv fare the tashun over Mexico was much relaved."

"The Prisdint is solvin' in privacy the fateful question, 'Will me throat last?' The answer is waited wld feverish anxiety."

"Mondah the papers says: 'Nashunal Disaster! Sore Throat Feared! Panic at the Capital! The Prisdint Calm!'"

"Consternation was spread among all classes today be the report that the Prisdint awoke with a sore throat. Strong men fainted before they cud reach the nearest saloon. There is talk iv apiritin' a day iv prayer. It is hoped that Senor Arre-ye-on-though will claim that the dead Americans raysisted ixicshun. A high authority states that this wud end the crisis. The Prisdint made but wan remark: 'As they'd not been there they'd not iv been kilt.'"

"Choosdah, they says, 'Hope revives. No sore throat. Bitten by insect. President calm. All Phrases iv Mather to be considered."

"The anxiety in the Capital was relaved today be the followin' bulletin: 'The Prisdint has a slight perforation in the cuticle over the inferiure maxillary caused be a insect bitin' him whin asleep. The patient was too proud to scratch. (Signed) Grayson.'"

"It is reported also that General Scott will go to the border to bury the dead, and apologize to the insurgents. He will axe Carranza, whether he wud accept a loan iv offered. This is considered the thure slution iv the difficulty."

"Windsah the Prisdint goes motorin'. Thursdah he writes a note and General Scott starts for the border. Fridah the headlines says 'Peace in Europe near. Prisdint studyin' terms. Will he stop the war? Another note expected. Capital excited over report.'"

"But we're comforted be bein' towld the Prisdint 'will not be betrayed into hasty ackshun."

"Sundah, he's considerin' th' Armenyan question, an' Mondah he advises G-andmothers about suckin' eggs. And another crisis is past."

"So it goes ivry day. As I was sayin', there's a plenty publicity, but 'tis not the brand iv 1912."

Evidently Mr. Wilson has made up his mind about something. He refers in his acceptance speech to "the sovereign authority of Mexico." He may have decided to whom he was referring. Less than two years ago he was not sure whether it was the soldier-bandit Villa or the grocer-grafter Carranza.

It's not to be wondered that Thomas A. Edison favors Wilson's re-election. The electrical wizard naturally likes anything that switches on and off.

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